

5

REMARKS**Paragraph 1 of the Office Action**

Claim 7 under 35 USC §112 second paragraph as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Claim 7 has been cancelled.

Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested by the applicant.

Paragraph 2-5 of the Office Action

Claim 1 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Riegert et al in view of Su (USP 4,835,812). Claims 1-5 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Manchester et al in view of Amato et al. Claim 6 is objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims

Claim 1 has been amended and now includes the limitations of as filed claims 2 and 6. As per the indications by the Examiner, it is believed that amended claim 1 is now in condition for allowance. Remaining claims 3-5, by virtue of their ultimate dependence on claim 1, incorporate the limitations of claim 1 and are therefore also believed to be in condition for allowance.

Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested by the applicant.

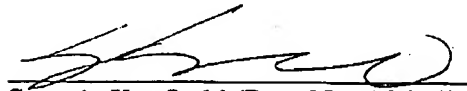
5

CONCLUSION

10 In light of the foregoing amendments and remarks, early consideration and allowance of this application are most courteously solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

15


 Sean A. Kaufhold (Reg. No. 46,820)
 P.O. Box 131447
 Carlsbad, CA 92013
 20 (760) 470-3368 FAX (760) 631-1557

Date: 9/7/04